

Amendment dated January 30, 2006

Reply to Office Action of August 30, 2005

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 8-12, 15-19 and 21-50 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 8, 15, 17, 18, 21, 49 and 50 are amended, and claims 13, 14 and 20 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Support for the claims can be found throughout the specification, including the original claims and the drawings.

The Examiner is thanked for the courtesies extended to Applicants' representative during the personal interview conducted January 24, 2006. The substance of the personal interview, including any agreements reached, is reflected in the above amendments and the following remarks. More specifically, the subject matter of claims 13 and 14 has been incorporated into independent claim 8, and some of the subject matter of claim 50 has been incorporated into independent claim 49, as discussed during the personal interview. Thus, withdrawal of the rejections in view of the above amendments and the following remarks and swift allowance are respectfully requested.

Entry of the amended claims is proper under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 since the amendments: (1) place the application in condition for allowance (for the reasons discussed herein); (2) do not raise any new issues requiring further search and/or consideration (since the amendments amplify issues previously discussed throughout prosecution without incorporating additional subject matter); (3) satisfy a requirement of form asserted in the previous Office Action; and/or (4) place the application in better form for appeal (if necessary). Entry is thus requested.

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The Office Action rejects claims 8-50 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Figures 1-3 of the present application in view of Bienias, Contrearras and Watanabe. Claims 13, 14 and 20 are canceled. The rejection, insofar as it applies to the remaining claims, is respectfully traversed.

Independent claim 8 recites, *inter alia*, simulating a 3D installation of the product in a venue in which the product is to be installed and displaying the simulated 3D installation on the web page, wherein a 3D image of the venue is generated based on a purpose of a building, an inside volume, an estimated number of persons in a room, an inside material, a type of ventilation system, an internal structure, or a flow number on which the product is to be installed. Independent claim 49 recites, *inter alia*, receiving an appropriate classification from a plurality of classifications based on a purpose of access and a level of expertise, providing a first set of information related to the required product for an individual, non-expert classification, and receiving additional information related to installation requirements for the required product including drawings of a building into which the required product is to be installed, and providing a second set of information related to the required product for an expert classification. As agreed during the personal interview, none of the applied prior art references, either alone or in combination, disclose or suggest such features.

Accordingly it is respectfully submitted that independent claims 8 and 49 are allowable over the applied combination, and thus the rejection of independent claims 8 and 49 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Figures 1-3 of the present application in view of Bienias, Contreras and

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Watanabe should be withdrawn. Dependent claims 9-12, 15-19, 21-48 and 50 are allowable at least for the reasons set forth above with respect to independent claims 8 and 49, from which they respectively depend, as well as for their added features.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that any additional changes would place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned, **JOANNA K. MASON**, at the telephone number listed below.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this,

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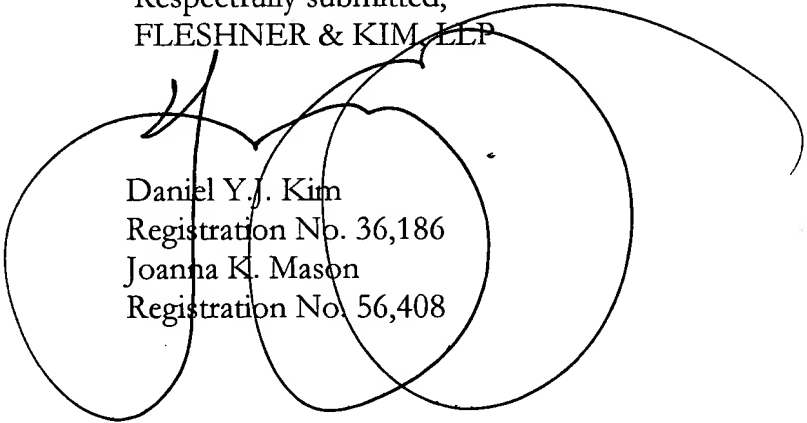
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concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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